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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

May 5, 1852.

Mr. Goodenow, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported the following bill; which was read twice, and committed to the Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

A BILL

For the relief of Captain Lewis E. Simonds.

1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress 2 assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and 3 is hereby authorized and required to pay to Captain Lewis 4 E. Simonds, of the United States navy, out of any money 5 in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of 6 eight hundred dollars, it being for his expenses incurred 7 in defending himself against two suits brought against 8 him for arresting and detaining the brig Casket, on 9 the coast of Africa, on charge of being engaged in the 10 slave trade, in eighteen hundred and forty-six, the said 11 Simonds being then in command of the United States 12 armed vessel called the Marion, and acting in the line of 13